

April 24, 1964.

Hi Susie,

I'm pretty tired of this darn old hospital, things here have changed since you left.

Ninety is still here and probably will be when they tear the Hosp. down! We have a new nurse on the ward named Miss Sloan. She is the best nurse on the ward to this date, since you left. I don't think any body could come close to, as far as the cutest, best all-around nurse I know. I know a lot of nurses!!

Since you left I have been rehabbed and gone on 20-day conv. leave. While home on leave my right side of my face started twitching at times. So after my leave they put me on 10-1 again. I've had five E.E.G. tests and one arteriogram in all since I was admitted last Nov. 29. The arteriogram they did on me didn't work so I'm scheduled for another this week some time.

The ward has changed a lot not only patients but doctors alike. Stonestreet was working with Garvity

when you left us, as I remember. Well since then a Dr. Pointer has relieved him. Now he has been relieved and a Dr. Hines has taken over. With him is Dr. Barnum who I have great faith in. I really think he's a good boy. Oh, Dr. Garrity had a spell similar to a heart attack and is now a patient on ward 38-2. It isn't going to be permanent I hope. Dr. Garrity was the one who gave me my arteriogram.

Jim Pearson, Sol Ficara, Dean Hallford, Ernie, Paul Marino, Ketting, Chief Howell, Chief Blackwood, are some of the old timers that I'll think you'll remember. They are still here. George Hendrickson, who was back in the Shorium is now up at the V.A. Hospital in Long Beach. He visits the boys once in awhile.

Susie, I'd really like very much to hear from you. I'm really not lonely but it's good to keep acquaintances alive! Especially if the acquaintance is as beautiful as you and such a nice person! We often talk about you and since your

gone we miss you and the U. S. Naval
Hospital misses you!! I only hope that
if you come back to this hospital at
any time, I'm here!!

My mother has gone back to Wisconsin
and I'm aiming on writing to her to
send those pictures that were taken
of you and me together. I'll send
them to you if she sends them. OK.

How is everything with you and
where are you now. I realize ships
travel alot but where is your ship now.
Not much more to say, Susie.

Remember when I couldn't talk
very well and I would try to say
your name. Those were the days!!
I now can speak fairly well but
that twitching worries me a little
I'm taking Dilaten and ~~Be~~ fenobarbital
to counter those spells. Well, since
I'm taking a chance writing this
letter as the lights are out already on
the ward I better cut it off short
and hit the rack.

all my Love
Dave
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